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Dulles Is Convalescing In Florida for Two Weeks

Secretary of State Dulles began a two-week convalescence in the Key West sunshine today, still keeping a wary eye on the Soviet Union.

Leaving Walter Reed Hospital here only two weeks after an operation to remove a cancerous section of his intestine, Mr. Dulles warned that "The free nations can not relax their vigilance in the face of such arrogance and such violations of basic principle" as the Soviet Union has practiced in Hungary and the Middle East.

The Secretary, who underwent surgery November 3, plans to be back at his desk December 3.

Staying at Private Home

As he stepped from an Air Force plane at Boca Chica Naval Air Station near Key West yesterday afternoon, Mr. Dulles said, "That sunshine sure feels good." He will stay at a private home operated in connection with a Key West motel.

Accompanying him were Mrs. Dulles, Special Assistant John W. Hanes and Army physician, Lt. Col. John H. Sharp.

The Secretary talked with Acting Secretary Herbert Hoover, jr., by telephone from Key West this morning and State Department press officer Lincoln White told newsmen later that Mr. Dulles was being "kept fully informed" on world developments.

Before leaving Walter Reed, Mr. Dulles read a 300-word statement commenting on the state of his health, the efficiency of his department in his absence, and the state of the world.

Making Good Recovery

The statement said:

"The doctors tell me that I am making an excellent recovery—and I certainly feel that way. I am deeply grateful for their expert surgery and the fine nursing care given me at Walter Reed Hospital. After a couple of weeks of sunshine at Key West, I expect to be back at work. I am also grateful for the many prayers for me and messages for me from all over the world.

"I am proud of the way in which the State Department is functioning during my absence. Its problems are particularly difficult; but they are being met in a superb manner by the loyal and dedicated effort of all workers at all levels, under the fine leadership of the acting Secretary of State, Mr. Hoover.

"As regards the Near East, we

are, I think, on the right track.

"If the countries concerned show respect, as they have promised, for the opinions of mankind as expressed through the General Assembly of the United Nations, that will give reason for hope for future progress toward stable peace in that troubled part of the world.

Must Attack Basic Problem

"It would, however, be a great mistake to believe that stability and tranquility can be permanently established merely by emergency measures to stop the fighting. It is necessary to attack the basic problems of the area. The many nations which want peace must also be prepared to struggle for the conditions necessary for a just and durable peace.

"In contrast to the positive influence of the United Nations in the Near East stands the conduct of the Soviet rulers. In defiance of United Nations resolutions, they engaged in war against Hungary, with promiscuous slaughter. In relation to Near Eastern affairs, they have tried to substitute themselves for the United Nations instead of acting as a cooperative member.

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Mr. Dulles' blast at the Soviet Union was in the manner of the pre-operation Secretary.

Doesn't Mention Arms Cut

He made no mention of the disarmament proposal sent to President Eisenhower by Soviet Premier Bulganin Saturday. He had conferred with the President on that subject Saturday at Walter Reed.

About 50 well-wishers saw Secretary and Mrs. Dulles off at the Military Air Transport Service terminal at Washington National Airport yesterday morning.

Among them were his brother, Allen Dulles, chief of the Central Intelligence Agency; Mr.



SUN FEELS GOOD—Secretary of State Dulles leaves a plane in Key West, Fla., yesterday after arriving from Washington to spend a week resting after his intestinal operation. "That sunshine sure feels good," he commented.—AP Wirephoto.

Hoover; Wilhelm Munthe de Morgenstierne, Ambassador from Norway and dean of the diplomatic corps in Washington, and Halvard Lange, foreign minister of Norway who is visiting here.

One of the Secretary's last unofficial acts before leaving the Nation's Capitol was to pay off a \$1 bet to Counselor Douglas MacArthur II after Mr. Dulles' alma mater, Princeton, was defeated in football by Yale, Mr. MacArthur's old school, by a 42-20 score Saturday.